



**Customer / Line Office:** Office of Marine & Aviation Operations

Project Budget: \$4.043M, \$1.4M Lease/Tenant Improvements, \$250k NEPA Compliance

\$750k Move Contract, \$788 Relocation, \$200k Furniture \$288k Project Management Services via Contractor

**Award Date of Lease:** December 31, 2016 **Estimated Completion Date:** July 1, 2017

**Contractor:** EBL Engineers

PPMD Project Manager: John Battle, Architect, PM/PMP, COR

**PPMD Project Scope:** PPMD will assist RPMD in the technical requirements needed to define the Program of Requirements and in assisting with evaluation of potential offeror's facilities; review compliance with regulation; and assist with furniture acquisition, move contracting, and construction oversight. PPMD would normally provide PM service; however, the AOC hired a dedicated contractor to perform those functions.

Background: NOAA's Aircraft Operations Center (AOC), part of the Office of Marine and Aviation Operations (OMAO), provides a wide range of specialized airborne environmental data collection capabilities vital to achieving the mission of monitoring hurricane events. Located at MacDill Air Force Base (AFB) in Tampa, FL, the AOC is responsible for operating, managing, and maintaining NOAA's fleet of nine (9) manned aircraft including the agency's two (2) Lockheed WP-3D Orion (P-3) "Hurricane Hunters." AOC's aircraft operate throughout the United States and around the world, supporting NOAA with over four decades of experience developing, coordinating, and successfully and safely conducting airborne environmental data-gathering missions.

On January 1, 2016, the Air Force informed NOAA of the need to take over the AOC's existing hangar in order to accommodate a new mission requirement for aerial refueling (requiring a home base with hangar for eight new Air Force KC-135 Stratotankers). With those aircraft expected to arrive sometime in October, 2017, the Air Force requested NOAA vacate the hangar no later than July 1, 2017. This project was initiated to accomplish all aspects of the required move the AOC to a new home.

**Current Status:** Project objectives were defined to be: 1) Retain and support AOC staff throughout the move by providing transparency, open communication, and relocation assistance; 2) Complete all AOC projects/operations without disruption; and 3) Complete the relocation and decommission the MacDill AFB site by the July 1, 2017.

RPMD and PPMD initiated the lease procurement process on April 6, 2016, with a pre-solicitation notice being issued seeking interested parties within 50 miles of the existing location. Environmental Due Diligence/NEPA and FONSI consultation documentation will be completed by November 28, 2016; concurrent leasing activities will culminate in a lease agreement shortly after environmental documentation process has been completed—lease award is scheduled for early December, 2016. The lease award will include site design and building renovation, construction, and furniture design. Separate contracts will be let to acquire furniture, to inventory, disassemble, move and reassemble existing.

## **Project Team:**

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